

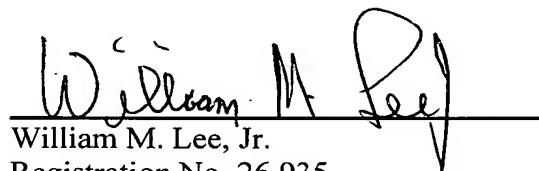
**Remarks**

The above amendment is being made in order to eliminate multiple dependency from the application before calculation of the application filing fee. Should any other multiple dependency remain, that is unintended, and the Patent and Trademark Office is requested to cancel any remaining multiple dependent claims without prejudice before calculation of the national filing fee for the United States.

Examination of the application on its merits is awaited.

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